General Education 1st Three Semesters for Teacher Education candidates

Below are courses that candidates should be taking in the 1st three semesters at Bridgewater College. Secondary (6-12 and PK-12) candidates should include some of their major area content courses each semester, as recommended by the content major advisor and aligned with the VA DOE requirements for certification.

**All: (Elementary (PK-6), Secondary (6-12 and PK-12)**

- PDP 150  Personal Development and the Liberal Arts—First Year Seminar
- ENG 110  Effective Writing-preferably 1st semester
- COMM 100  Oral Communications-preferably by end of 1st year
- ES 105  Wellness
- ES Activity  (any exercise activity course)
- HIST 105 or 110  World History to 1500 or World History Since 1500
- BIO 100  The Nature of the Biological World *
- PSYCH 101 or SOC 101  General Psychology or Principles of Sociology**
- EDUC 140  Introduction to the Foundations of American Education
- EDUC 200  Psychology of Education and Development

* BIO 100 is required as part of the Liberal Studies major. Could be replaced with BIO 110 (for Biology Secondary Education candidates)

**for Bridgewater College General Education requirements candidates must take two of the following three areas—Psychology, Sociology and Economics: PSYCH 200, SOC 101, ECON 200 or ECON 210 (most education candidates take Psych 101 and Soc 101 unless they are History and Political Science majors where they must take 1 ECON course.)

NOTE: Candidates starting or continuing in World Languages should sign up for 101,102, 201, 202 levels. The BC TEP encourages its candidates to take a world language study through the 102 level, but at this time it is not required at this time.

**Mathematics: Elementary (PK-6)**
- Math 105  Mathematics Theory and Computation I
- Math 115  Mathematics Theory and Computation II

**Mathematics: Secondary (6-12, PK-12)**
- Math 107 or 109, or 110  Quantitative Reasoning, or Applied Algebra, or College Algebra (check with your major to determine which Math course is required for your major)

Below are courses which can be added into or also used in the 1st four semesters:

- Any foreign language (101, 102, 201, 202 or above)
- HIST 201 or 202 History of the United States to 1877, The American Experience
- REL 220 New Testament
- PHYS course-(all Liberal Studies and preK-6 need to take either PHYS 110 Astronomy or PHYS 125 Concepts of Physic)
- Global Diversity course

Liberal Studies candidates need both HIST 201 and HIST 202 (6-12, PK-12 need 1 U.S. History) and all History and Political Science majors must take HIST 201 and HIST 202 as co-requisites (also have to take HIST 105 and HIST 110 as co-requisites).

TO BE ADMITTED TO THE BRIDGEWATER COLLEGE TEACHER EDUCATION YOU MUST PASS THE VIRGINIA COMMUNICATIONS AND LITERACY ASSESSMENT (VCLA) AND THE PRAXIS I-MATHEMATICS (Cut score=178). (IF YOU HAD AN SAT SCORE OF 530 ON MATH . OR AN ACT SCORE OF 22 ON MATH. YOU ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PRAXIS I MATHEMATICS ASSESSMENT)

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